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Date: 2/12/2013

Complaint Description:

08A Rate Case Items - Opposed

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N/A Not Applicable

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First:

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Complaint By:

Sue

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Account Name:

Sue Birk

Home:

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Street:

Work:

City:

Maricopa

CBR:

State:

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Zip: 85138

<u>is:</u>

Utility Company.

Global Water-Santa Cruz Water Company

Division:

Water

Contact Name:

Katherine Dombrowski

Contact Phone:

Nature of Complaint:

Customer sent the following -

Rate Application

Docket Number W-20446A-12-0314 and SW-20445A-12-0319

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Sue Birk

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January 30, 2013

Comments:

We are two seniors whose Global Water monthly bill tells us that we have used 44% less water than our neighbors, however, our Global Water bill is currently the third highest monthly bill we have after our mortgage and car payment. Our annual water bill is even higher than our property taxes, auto or home insurance. Our average monthly Global bill rose from \$69.83 in 2110 to \$95.73 in 2012 for an increase of 37%. We have no way to reduce our bill since the increase came from raising our "Water Basic" from \$25.00 to \$27.68 and the "Waste Water" from \$33.00 to \$62.91. We can't understand the "Conservation Rebate". 2,566 gallons of water generates a \$3.00 rebate, 3,337 gallons generates \$4.06, 4,727 gallons generates \$5.98 rebate and 5,374 gallons a \$7.07. It seems that we are being rewarded for using more water and still this is called a "Conservation Rebate".

We realize that Maricopa has not grown as anticipated and that Global Water is not receiving the revenue they expected, however, we are recovering. Our new residential building permits increased in 2012 to 312 from 120 in 2011. Banner Health opened a new healthcare facility and Central Arizona College opened a new campus in 2012. The new municipal building will open in 2013 and we have broken ground for a multigenerational center. The opportunity is there for Global Water to increase revenue in the near future as Maricopa comes out of one of

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the biggest real estate downturns in the whole United States. Just give us a chance. *End of Complaint*

Utilities' Response:

Investigator's Comments and Disposition:

Comments entered for the record and filed with Docket Control. *End of Comments*

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